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IN RE APPLICATION OF:

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FOR: PEPTIDES USEFUL IN TREATING MULTIPLE SCLEROSIS AND A
PHARMACEUTICAL COMPOSITION COMPRISING THE SAME

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20231

SIR:

Responsive to the Official Action dated January 28, 2003, Applicants elect, with traverse, Group I, Claims 1-3, in part, drawn to a peptide comprising SEQ ID NO: 1 and a method of treating a patient suffering from Multiple Sclerosis comprising administering an effective amount of peptide of SEQ ID NO: 1, for further prosecution.

REMARKS

The Office has required restriction in the present application as follows:

- Group I: Claims 1-3, in part, drawn to a peptide comprising SEQ ID NO: 1 and a method of treating a patient suffering from Multiple Sclerosis comprising administering an effective amount of peptide of SEQ ID NO: 1;
- Group II: Claims 1-3, in part, drawn to a peptide comprising SEQ ID NO: 2 and a method of treating a patient suffering from Multiple Sclerosis comprising administering an effective amount of a peptide of SEQ ID NO: 2;